



Atty. Docket No.: 2846/2112

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Ren et al.
Serial No.: 10/660,348
Filed: September 11, 2003
Entitled: Metal Oxide Nanostructures with Hierarchical Morphology

Examiner: McNeil, Jennifer C.
Group Art Unit: 1775
Conf. No.: 5141

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-referenced patent application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is
☒ a small entity.
☐ other than small entity.

EXTENSION OF TIME

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136

	Extension (months)	Fee for other than <u>small entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	ONE month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	TWO months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	THREE months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	FOUR months	1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	FIVE months	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00
	Fee		\$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

- (a) ☐ An extension for _____ has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$

OR

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(1)	(2)	(3)			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	54	minus	54	0	x \$50	0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	minus	4	0	x \$200	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ADDED	No				\$360	0.00
				TOTAL		0.00
If applicant has small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2 and enter amount here.				SMALL ENTITY TOTAL		0.00

- (c) ☒ No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

- (d) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$

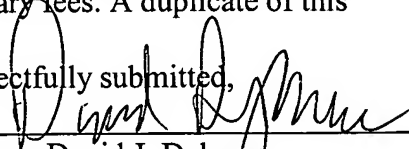
FEE PAYMENT

5. ☐ Attached is a check in the sum of \$
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. 2846/2112 any additional necessary fees.

☐ Charge the amount of \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No. _____ and any additional necessary fees. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

Date: January 28, 2005

Respectfully submitted,


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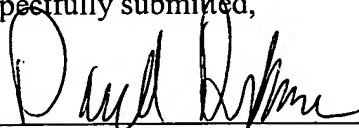
Enclosed for filing the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment;
2. Amendment Transmittal Letter; and
3. Return Post Card.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 30, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, (Claims 1-24 and new claims 55-84) for prosecution on the merits, with traverse.

This paper is supplemental to our filing of September 11, 2003. Applicants believe that no fee is due with this filing; however, please charge any necessary fees required in connection with the paper transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference No.: 2846/2112.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and remarks.